pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 36 given in the Rajya Sabha on 7th August, 1990 and state:

(a) whether Central Administrative Tribunal has vacated the Stay for upgradation of posts in the ISS from Grade IV to Grade III; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government have completed the cadre review within 9 months from the date of above said vacation; if not, what are the reasons for ignoring their assurance; and

(c) by which date the cadre review will now be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir. The Stay Order was vacated on 6-11-90.

(b) and (c) A Task Force was set up on 28-11-90 to consider the aspect of Cadre Review of the ISS in all its perspectives. The Task Force submitted a draft report on 15-05-1991. The process of consultation with different Departments of the proposals in the report was set in motion. In the meanwhile, in the light of instructions in the context of the efforts for reduction of posts to reduce administrative expenditure, the ongoing cadre review was deferred for the time being. However, the possibility of encadering certain individual statistical posts now outside the ISS, pending resumption of the overall cadre review action, is being examined in consultation with the Ministry of Finance. In the Circumstances, it is not feasible to indicate any date for completion of the overall Cadre Review exercise.

Steps to increase per capita income

4086. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in Economic Times dated 30th June, 1992 captioned "Foreign aid has been un-mitigated disaster for India";

(b) if so, what is Government reaction thereto; and

(c) what steps have been taken to increase the per capita income in the Eighth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The news-item reflects the personal views of a scholar in a study conducted for Washington based Cato Institute, about the pattern and process of development in India, with which the scholar finds much fault. The Government does not agree with these views and will continue to be guided by the announced industrial policies as approved by Parliament and the policies and priorities as indicated in the Plan documents.

(c) The development programmes for agriculture, industry, energy and services sectors envisaged in the Eighth Five Year Plan are expected to give a GDP growth of 5.6 per cent per annum during the Plan. This will enable increase in per capita GDP of about 3.8 per cent per annum during the Plan.

Funds earmarked for development of Tribal areas in the country

4087. SHRI S. S. AHULWALIA: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have earmarked funds for the development of tribal and backward areas of the country during the Eighth Plan;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have also earmarked funds for the development of tribal areas in the State of Bihar during the Eighth Plan;